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a result, the Bavlly Drilling Office was the only drilling office within the association to fulfill the drilling plan for the first quarter 1953. Drilling Office No 2 fulfilled this plan by a little more than half, and Drilling Office No 3 by only 69 percent.

The nonfulfillments in the field of drilling were caused partly by too much idle time. This was especially true with regard to brigades of the Surkinskiy sector, where the idle time was caused by insufficient pumping of water to the sector⁷. Three deputy ministers, Yevseyenko, Kortunov, and Ginzburg, became involved in the Surkinskiy water problem.

Moscow, Pravda, 29 Apr 53

Gazim Gayfullin's drilling brigade of the Bavllyneft' Trust has set a record speed for drilling oil wells in the region of the Second Baku. With a norm of 93 days, this brigade drilled a deep oil well in 33 days. The brigade's drilling speed was 1,545 meters per machine-month. This achievement surpassed the record set last year by Petr Ussov's brigade of the Tuymazaneft' Trust, which attained a drilling speed of 1,408 meters per machine-month.

Vil'nyus, Sovetskaya Litva, 24 May 53

Migalim Gimazov's drilling brigade of the Bavllyneft' Trust has set a record in the drilling of a new, deep Devonian oil well. This well was drilled at a speed of 2,011 meters per machine-month, an unprecedented speed for the eastern regions. The brigade achieved this record using water in place of the usual mud solution.

Moscow, Izvestiya, 26 Jun 53

On 13 June, drillers of the Bavllyneft' Trust reported fulfillment of the half-year plan for drilling oil wells.

Moscow, Trud, 7 Aug 53

Using the forced system of drilling, brigades of the Bavlly Drilling Office fulfilled the 8-month plan for drilling oil wells ahead of schedule. All brigades of this office are drilling at speeds of 1,100-1,500 meters per machine-month.

Moscow, Izvestiya, 27 Aug 53

During the first 3 years of the Fifth Five-Year Plan, the volume of drilling work in the petroleum industry of the Tatar ASSR quadrupled.

Moscow, Pravda, 30 Aug 53

Drillers of the Bavllyneft' Trust have mastered a high-speed-drilling method and have fulfilled the 9-month drilling plan ahead of schedule.

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Moscow, Vechernyaya Moskva, 2 Sep 53

Since the beginning of the year, drillers of the Bavlyneft' Trust have drilled six oil wells above the state plan and have saved the state about 3.5 million rubles.

Moscow, Pravda, 28 Sep 53

The Bavlyneft' Trust fulfilled the September plan for drilling of oil wells 6 days ahead of schedule.

Moscow, Izvestiya, 2 Oct 53

Eight of the leading brigades in the Tatneft' Association have completed more than 50 kilometers of drilling since the beginning of the year.

PRODUCTION -- Moscow, Izvestiya, 14 Apr 53

During the Fifth Five-Year Plan, the production of petroleum in the Tatar ASSR is to multiply by several times. During 1953, oil workers of the Tatar ASSR must double the 1952 petroleum production.

Moscow, Izvestiya, 26 June 53

The Tatneft' Association fulfilled the half-year plan for production of liquid fuel 6 days ahead of schedule. The Bavlyneft' Trust holds first place in the socialist competition being waged in this association. The trust fulfilled the half-year plan for production of petroleum 13 days ahead of schedule.

Moscow, Komsomol'skaya Pravda, 9 July 53

Oil Field No 1 of the Bavlyneft' Trust is located in the vicinity of Bavly. Tons of petroleum have been conserved here because oil-well production systems have been kept free of leaks.

Leningradskaya Pravda, 19 Aug 53

Yesterday, the Bavlyneft' Trust, the leading petroleum-producing trust in the Tatar ASSR, fulfilled the 8-month plan for production of liquid fuel.

Moscow, Izvestiya, 27 Aug 53

During the first 3 years of the Fifth Five-Year Plan, the average daily production of petroleum in the Tatar ASSR has increased more than sixfold.

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Moscow, Pravda, 30 Aug 53

On 27 August, the oil fields of the Tatneft' Association fulfilled the 8-month plan.

Moscow, Pravda, 28 Sep 53

Sovetskaya Tatarsiya, reports that the Tatneft' Association fulfilled the 9-month plan for production of petroleum on 25 September.

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